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**CHAPTER 420**

AN ACT to amend 252.14 (2) and 269.70 (1) of the statutes, relating to retired circuit judges being appointed conciliators and court commissioners.

*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. 252.14 (2) of the statutes is amended to read :

252.14 (2) In counties having a population of 500,000 or more, the divorce counsel, assistant divorce counsels and, *in all counties*, retired circuit judges appointed to act as conciliators pursuant to s. 269.70 may be appointed court commissioners, in addition to those appointed under sub. (1). The term of court commissioners appointed under this subsection and acting as divorce counsel or assistant divorce counsel shall be coextensive with their tenure of office. The term of court commissioners appointed to act as conciliators under s. 269.70 shall continue until a successor is appointed and qualifies.

SECTION 2. 269.70 (1) of the statutes is amended to read :

269.70 CONCILIATORS. (1) A circuit judge of the circuit court of any county \* \* \* may appoint, and remove at any time \* \* \*, any retired *circuit* judge \* \* \* to act, in matters referred to him by the judge, \* \* \* in conciliation matters and in pretrial procedure under s. 269.65. \* \* \* *When* a matter for conciliation is referred to him for such purpose, the conciliator shall have full authority to hear, determine and report findings to the court. Such conciliators may be appointed court commissioners as provided in s. 252.14 (2).

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